



COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY JOB CLASS SPECIFICATION

FOREST RANGER TECHNICIAN REGIONAL

Job Number: 20001495

Job Code: 72530V161016

Job Group: 7200 - FORESTRY

Job Established: 04/01/1995

Job Revised: 10/16/2016

Grade: 14 Salary (MIN - MID):

\$18,075-\$23,944 - Hourly

\$2,937.20-\$3,890.90 - 37.5 Hr. Monthly Salary

\$3,133.00-\$4,150.30 - 40 Hr. Monthly Salary

Special Entrance Rate:

NONE

NONE

NONE

PROBATIONARY PERIOD:

This job has an initial and promotional probationary period of 12 months. For additional information refer to: <http://www.lrc.ky.gov/kar/101/001/325.htm>.

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE JOB: *Characteristics of a job are general statements indicating the level of responsibility and discretion of positions in that job classification. These are not intended to be an exhaustive list.*

Plans, supervises, and coordinates employees and the technical work in forest stewardship, forest resource management, and protection performed by Forest Ranger Technicians within a region; and performs other duties as required.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:

EDUCATION:

Graduate of a college or university with an associate's degree in the Biological or Physical Sciences.

EXPERIENCE:

Must have five years of forest management experience.

Substitute EDUCATION for EXPERIENCE:

A bachelor's degree in the Biological or Physical Sciences supplemented by three years of forest management experience will substitute for the associate's degree and five years of forest management experience. Graduate study in forestry will substitute on a year for year basis for the forest management experience.

Substitute EXPERIENCE for EDUCATION:

Forest management experience will substitute for the associate's degree on the basis of two years of experience for one year of education, OR four years of experience in the Forest Ranger Technician series will substitute for the associate's degree and the five years of forest management experience.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS (AGE, LICENSURE, REGULATION, ETC.):

Must possess a valid driver's license prior to appointment in this classification. Must maintain any required licensure(s),

certification(s), or other credentials for the length of employment in this classification. Employing agency is responsible for ensuring employee possesses and maintains required licensure(s), certification(s) or other credentials.

EXAMPLES OF DUTIES OR RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE JOB CLASSIFICATION: *Examples of duties or responsibilities are not to be construed as describing what the duties or responsibilities of any position shall be and are not to be construed as limiting the appointing authority's ability to assign, or otherwise alter the duties and responsibilities of a position. This is not intended to be an exhaustive list.*

Supervises forest ranger technicians. Plans, coordinates, and supervises all wildfire prevention, presuppression, suppression, and law enforcement activities in a region. Works with county officials and residents in the promotion of wildfire prevention and control. Assists fire departments and firefighter's associations in obtaining grants and equipment. Investigates wildfires for cause and origin. Suppress wildfires. Serves as incident commander for wildfire response. Plans, organizes, and conducts training on firefighting techniques, fire investigation, law enforcement and safety. Coordinates timber harvesting inspection program within a region. Inspects timber harvesting sites. Maintains records of timber harvesting inspections and enters information into database. Has responsibility for maintenance and operation of region equipment. Completes prosecution reports on fire suppression costs collected and court cases. Issues citations for forestry violations. Coordinates technician activities with other division personnel. Assists in preparation of regional budget. Testifies in court as expert witness. Trains other division employees. Performs technical work in forest stewardship and forest resource management. Sells and distributes tree seedlings. Supervises regional tree seed collection. Works with cities and communities concerning urban forestry. Prepares records and reports. May be mobilized during wildfire emergencies to be a member of an Incident Management Team. Assists with forest surveys and inventories.

UNIQUE PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS:

Extreme physical effort is required when suppressing wild land fires. The ability to walk on steep slopes, use fire hand tools, and occasionally work long hours is needed.

TYPICAL WORKING CONDITIONS: *Incumbents in the job will typically perform their job duties under these conditions.*

Work is typically performed outdoors on private forest lands. Work can be under adverse conditions due to weather, topography, or when suppressing wild land fires. Work also involves frequent contact with citizens and organizations in the promotion of forestry programs.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS:

Upon appointment, employees in this class may be required to maintain a valid driver's license and required to drive a licensed vehicle. This status may be necessary for the length of time in this class. If this is necessary it will be listed in the specific position description for that position. Applicants and employees in this job title maybe required to submit to a drug screening test and background check. Applicants and employees in positions which perform job duties that may require contact with offenders in the custody or supervision of the Department of Corrections or with youth in the care, custody, or supervision of the Department of Juvenile Justice must meet qualifications pursuant to the federal Prison Rape Elimination Act, 28 C.F.R.115.17 and 115.317.

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